

- Belmont Recreation Commission
- Minutes of Meeting of June 4, 2001
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- Attendance: Kathleen Ruane Dante Muzzioli
- Edward Jones Kathleen King
- Mary Ann Johnson Lee Barber
- Paul Graham
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- Parents from the Pequossette playground area attended and registered concern about the usage of the Tot lot at that park by the Bartlett School, a local private school. It was determined to have representatives from that school attend a meeting prior to the start of the next school year to discuss this issue. It was recommended that we get an update on Town by-laws from Town Counsel.
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- A discussion was held concerning a “residents only” sign at Joey’s Park which upset an Arlington resident and prompted a letter to the Board of Selectmen. The sign in question was put up because of past problems at the basketball courts at Winn Brook, not Joey’s Park. A letter clarifying this will be sent. It was voted to leave the sign in place to minimize problems at the courts.
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- An updated summer field schedule should be completed as soon as possible to insure maximum usage this season. Information should be coordinated with Youth Soccer, baseball and softball groups. Howard Dreyfus, President of the Soccer Association, attended and gave an update on soccer field issues and the PQ tot lot issue. Concern was expressed over a game played at Grove St. on June 2 in heavy rain.
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- A discussion was held re: the vending machines and the snack bar at the skating rink. Bill McMillen of Friends of Belmont Hockey will attend the next meeting to discuss improvements to the operation for next season.
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- The new High School Athletic Complex, approved by voters May 22, was discussed. Construction is set to begin next week. The Commission is in favor of adding handicapped accessible water fountains to the project and will send a letter in support of this idea. The Director and Chairman will review a proposed policy guide for the new lighted field and its use and make suggestions if needed. We will check with other Middlesex League towns on similar policies.
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- The Commission authorized that a letter be sent to plan for needed improvements at the Craig Field at Washington St. playground which suffered severe damage during the winter, including the loss of almost all the grass.
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- A hockey shooting clinic was proposed by Matt Wright to be held at the skating rink. Approval is given pending agreement on a rental fee.
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- A proposal by the Summer Program Coordinator to have use of a rental car for 7 weeks this summer was unanimously approved.

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